DT05 Rec'd PCT/PT0 1 5 FEB 2005

Our ref: BDL-67

Client's ref: 03/GPO/FD-H273830 Cas 1

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

-----X

In re Application of: B. BOUFFIER : Dated : 2/15/05

Serial No. : To be assigned :

Filed : Concurrently herewith :

Title : SURGICAL PROSTHESIS-

FORMING DEVICE USED TO IMPLANT AN ORGAN SUPPORT:

IN A MAMMAL

·------

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits of the US National Phase application, please enter the following Preliminary Amendment, without prejudice or disclaimer. Attached hereto are Claim Amendments and the Remarks each starting on a separate page.